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> Two COVID-19-related Fatalities Reported; Cumulative COVID-19 Test Results: 46 New Cases, Seven Hospitalized; 47 Cases with Variants of Concern Identified; Second COVID-19 Booster Doses Available

# Two COVID-19-related Fatalities Reported

Today, the Joint Information Center was notified of two COVID-19-related fatalities:

- The 356th COVID-19-related fatality was pronounced dead on arrival at the Guam Memorial Hospital on May 8, 2022. The patient was a 81-year-old male, fully vaccinated with one booster, with underlying health conditions, who tested positive on May 8.
- The 357th COVID-19-related fatality occurred at the Guam Regional Medical City on May 8, 2022. The patient was a 65-year-old male, vaccinated, with underlying health conditions, who tested positive on May 8.

"Our heartfelt prayers and condolences go out to their families during their time of mourning," said Governor Lou Leon Guerrero. "As we move forward with recovery, we must be reminded of the dangers that this virus still poses and we must continue to take precautions to safeguard our most vulnerable."

## **Cumulative COVID-19 Test Results: 46 New Cases Reported**

Today, the Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) reported **46** new cases of COVID-19 from **1,489** specimens analyzed May 6 - 8, 2022:

- May 9: **Five** of **64** test positive for COVID-19
- May 8: **19** of **658** test positive for COVID-19
- May 7: 22 of 767 test positive for COVID-19

Ten of the cases reported today are through the Department of Defense. To date, there have been a total of 48,369 officially reported cases, 357 deaths, 199 cases in active isolation, and 47,813 not in active isolation.

#### **Seven Hospitalized for COVID-19**

CENSUS as of 5 p.m.	GMH	GRMC	USNH	TOTAL
COVID-19 Admission	2	4	1	7
Pediatric Admissions	0	-	-	0
ICU	1	0	0	1
Ventilator	1	0	0	1

VACCINATION STATUS	VACCINATED	UNVACCINATED	INELIGIBLE (0-4 years old)
Hospitalized	5	2	0
Total in Population*	136,477	5,130	12,229
Rate per 100,000 Population	4	39	0

SPECIAL NOTE: Based on today's data, if we were to compare two (2) hypothetical populations of 100,000 people each, vaccinated versus unvaccinated, there would be 4 vaccinated people hospitalized for COVID-19 compared to 39 unvaccinated people hospitalized for COVID-19. The risk of being hospitalized for COVID-19 is about 10 times higher for the unvaccinated as compared to the vaccinated. \*Estimated population is based on DPHSS Immunization Program analysis of 2020 Census data. Updates are expected pending further Census 2020 data breakdown.

#### 47 Cases with Variants of Concern Identified

Today, DPHSS received forty-seven (47) new results from virus samples collected on Guam between March 2 to March 8, 2022, which have undergone genome sequencing by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). DPHSS received the eighteenth set of results from the CDC. All 47 samples were identified as the Omicron Variant of Concern (VOC). The breakdown is as follows:

### **Omicron**

- 46 BA.2.3
- 1 BA.1.1

To date, 746 SARS-CoV-2 virus samples have been submitted to the CDC and the Hawaii Department of Health State Lab Division for genome sequencing.

#### **Second COVID-19 Booster Doses Available**

Second doses of the COVID-19 booster are available to individuals ages 12 years and older who are moderately or severely immunocompromised. Eligible individuals may choose to receive a second booster dose using an mRNA (Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna) COVID-19 vaccine at least 4 months after the first booster dose.

Additionally, adults between the ages of 18 and 49 who are not moderately or severely immunocompromised and who received Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine as both their primary series dose and booster dose may receive a second booster dose using an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine at least 4 months after the Janssen booster dose. Adults ages 50 years and older could benefit from a second mRNA booster dose as they are at increased risk for severe COVID-19. Adults 50 years and older may choose to receive a second booster dose, if it has been at least 4 months after the first booster dose.

FREE COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINICS (AGES 5 AND OVER) FIRST, SECOND AND BOOSTER SHOTS AVAILABLE - Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson		
Monday through Saturday 11 a.m 5 p.m.	Agana Shopping Center (2nd Floor) - Register: tinyurl.com/vaxguam Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will be expedited. Bring appointment confirmation and proof of identity. Last appointment is 30 minutes before closing.	
Monday - Thursday 9 a.m 5 p.m. Saturday	DPHSS Northern Region Community Health Center (NRCHC), Dededo Call 671-635-4418/7400 to schedule an appointment. Last appointment is 30 minutes before closing. Walk-ins welcome. Curbside vaccination available for people with disabilities.	

9 a.m 12 p.m.	Register at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme
Monday through Saturday 9 a.m 12 p.m.	DPHSS Southern Region Community Health Center (SRCHC), Inalåhan Call (671) 828-7604/5/7518 to schedule an appointment. Last appointment is 30 minutes before closing. Walk-ins welcome. Curbside vaccination available for people with disabilities. Register at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme

FREE COVID-19 COMMUNITY TESTING Fill out a COVID-19 Testing Patient Assessment Form ahead of time, available at <a href="mailto:dphss.guam.gov/covid-19-testing">dphss.guam.gov/covid-19-testing</a> .			
Mon, Wed, Fri, & Sat: 8 a.m 11 a.m.	Old Carnival Grounds, Tiyan, Barrigada COVID-19 testing will be offered by appointment through tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme. Four adults per vehicle. Bring a photo ID.Travel-related testing will not be offered. NO SYMPTOMS NEEDED TO TEST FOR COVID-19		
Tuesdays and Thursdays: 9 a.m 12 p.m.	DPHSS Southern Region Community Health Center (SRCHC), Inalåhan By appointment only for individuals with COVID-like symptoms. Four adults per vehicle. Bring a photo ID. Travel-related testing not offered. Call (671) 828-7604/5/7518. Register at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme		
Monday through Saturday: 9 a.m 12 p.m.	DPHSS Northern Region Community Health Center (NRCHC), Dededo By appointment only for individuals with COVID-like symptoms. Four adults per vehicle. Bring a photo ID. Call (671) 635-7525/6 to schedule an appointment.		

### **Guam COVID-19 Vaccination Update**

As of May 7, 2022, a total of 136,477 of Guam's eligible population (residents 5 years and older) is fully vaccinated. This total includes 13,974 residents 12 - 17 years old. 7,975 residents 5 - 11 years old received their first dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech two dose series. 6,368 residents 5 - 11 years old have completed their two-dose series. A total of 58,802 eligible residents have received their first booster shots. A total of 3,820 eligible residents have received their second booster shots.

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For the latest information on COVID-19, visit <u>dphss.guam.gov</u> or <u>guamrecovery.com</u>. For inquiries, contact 311 through a local number, or call the Joint Information Center at (671) 478-0208/09/10.